

REMARKS**Respons to Doubl Patenting**

Claims 22-24 are rejected by the Examiner under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1, 23 and 26 of U.S. Patent No. 6,302,880. In response thereto applicants have filed concurrently herewith a Terminal Disclaimer (By Attorney) with respect to the '880 patent.

Response to Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §112

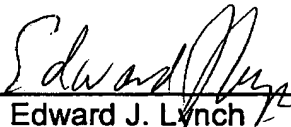
Claims 22-24 are rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Applicants have amended claims 22 and 23 to replace the term "depression" with "recess" to obviate the antecedent problem referred to by the Examiner.

Applicants have also amended to preamble to claim 22 to more clearly identify the location of the continuous lesion to be formed.

The pending claims are now in condition for allowance. Further consideration and an early allowance are respectfully requested.

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